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I have the honour to transmit herewith the fourth report of the Joint Commission to the Security Council on the status of the Procurement Working Group's decisions and on any implementation issues, which covers the period from 13 June to 30 November 2017.

I should be grateful if the present letter and the report could be issued as a document of the Security Council.

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Report of the Joint Commission to the Security Council on the status of the Procurement Working Group's decisions and on any implementation issues

1. This is the fourth report of the Joint Commission, established by the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, to the Security Council on the status of the Procurement Working Group's decisions and on any implementation issues. It provides an overview of the work undertaken by the Procurement Working Group from 13 June to 30 November 2017.

2. The Procurement Working Group comprises the States that are participants in the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, with a designated representative of the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy serving as Coordinator.

3. The Procurement Working Group held five meetings. Representatives of the International Atomic Energy Agency participated as observers in one of the meetings. The Procurement Working Group reviewed eight proposals from three States: four were recommended for approval, two were recommended for disapproval and two were withdrawn.

4. Documents relating to the work of the Procurement Working Group as endorsed by the Joint Commission were updated in September 2017 and are publicly available, including through the Security Council website dedicated to the implementation of resolution 2231 (2015).

5. The participants in the Procurement Working Group continued to engage with Member States to raise awareness of the procurement channel process and to explain the role and objectives of the Procurement Working Group. The Coordinator of the Procurement Working Group also addressed representatives of Member States on 14 July on the procurement channel process.